

Mobile Home Advisory Board [MHAB]

Meeting Notes

October 26, 2009



1. **Call to Order of October 26, 2009 MHAB meeting** Chairperson Barbara Boskovich, called the October 26, 2009 MHAB meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

2. **Roll Call**

In Attendance:	Members Absent:	Council Liaisons:	City Staff:
Barbara Boskovich John Sisker Mark Porter	Steve Gullage		Sidney Stone Kellee Fritzal

3. **Approval of the Meeting Notes from the Regular Meeting of April 27, 2009.**

Porter motioned and Sisker seconded approval of the Meeting Notes from the MHAB Meeting of April 27, 2009. **The motion passed (3 ayes, 0 opposed, 0 abstention, 1 absent)**

4. **Public Comments**

None

5. **Staff Report**

- a. Stone expressed, on behalf of the City and all Board Members, appreciation to Daniel Kittredge for his contributions as a MHAB Board Member over the last eight years. Fritzal provided Board Members and guests with an update on an application for subdivision and sale of lots within the Huntington Shorecliff Mobile Home, submitted by the owner of Huntington Shorecliff. Fritzal stated that the application was reviewed by the Planning Commission in September and was rejected and discussed the various reasons why the application had been denied.

6. **Old Business**

- a. **Huntington Harbour Mobile Estates** – Stone updated Board Members and guests with information regarding the ongoing lawsuit between the owner and residents of the HHME Mobile Home Park and other actions being taken to find a resolution to the issues facing HHME residents. Stone added that 30 spaces within HHME are currently not revenue generating.
- b. **Update on the Atlanta Street Widening Project**– Fritzal updated Board Members and guests with regard to the Atlanta Street Widening Project, commenting that the project had experienced a set-back as to scheduling due to budget constraints and subsequent shortage of matching funds, and still needed approval of the federal right-of-way acquisition funds for the project. She added that design of the project would

continue while approval of the federal right-of-way funds is sought. Fritzel concluded by stating that the preliminary right-of-way work is expected to take place through most of next year with actual acquisitions taking place in fiscal year 2010-2011 when full funding is expected to be available.

7. New Business

- a. Guest Speaker – Sidney Stone, Housing Manager for the City of Huntington Beach, spoke regarding, “Why the City of Huntington Beach Does Not Include Mobile Homes as Affordable Housing”. Stone cited the inability of public agencies to secure and maintain affordability covenants on mobile home units as one of the major reasons why the City cannot count mobile homes as part of its affordable housing mix. Stone and Fritzel also discussed why and how affordable housing is developed and the restrictions surrounding how various funds are used in the development of affordable housing and senior housing. Questions from the audience were answered.
- b. Guest Speaker and location for January 25, 2010 MHAB Meeting – It was discussed that the next guest speaker would be determined at a later date and that the next meeting would be held at City Hall in room B-7 of the lower level.

8. **Member Comments** – Board Chair Boskovich discussed the new law signed by Governor Schwarzenegger on October 11, 2009, that requires all California mobile home park owners and managers to plan—and provide training—for the safe emergency evacuation of all residents within their park. She asked that staff inquire as to what plans are already in place and/or what steps are currently being taken by City park owners and managers in this regard. She also asked this be placed on the agenda for the January 25, 2010 MHAB meeting.

9. **Public Comments** – none

10. Next Agenda - Old Business

- a. Current Status of Huntington Harbour Mobile Estates
- b. Update on the Atlanta Street Widening Project

11. Next Agenda - New Business

- a. Guest Speaker-To be determined
- b. Huntington Beach Mobile Home Parks Emergency Evacuation Plan Update

12. Adjournment

Porter motioned and Sisker seconded adjournment of the meeting to January 25, 2010. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm. Vote: 3 ayes, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, 1 absent.

The next MHAB meeting will be held on January 25, 2010, at 6:30 pm, at City Hall, Room B-7 in the lower level, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA.